

## Content

Course Code	Course Name	Semester	Theory	Practice	Lab	Credit	ECTS
SOC 523	Modernity and Beyond: Introduction to Postmodernism	1	3	0	0	3	7,5

Prerequisites	
Admission Requirements	

Language of Instruction	Turkish
Course Type	Elective
Course Level	Masters Degree
Objective	This course is conceived as an initiation to the key-notions of modernism and postmodernism. We will discuss these notions in the European and North American contexts, and then we would eventually question the validity of such a distinction in the Turkish context.
Content	Modernity constitutes an essential figure to which one usually refers to define our present time. But how can we categorize it ? Starting from when, from which period, from which society can we delimit it ? At the same time, theories of Postmodernity evoke a social and cultural transition that would be situated beyond Modernity. To what extent can these theories sociologically enlighten the mutations of our contemporary world ?
References	Documents available online and in PDF version (intranet network). Printed articles at disposal of students.

## Theory Topics

Week	Weekly Contents
1	Modern/Postmodern : Semantics of historical times
2	Modernity, philosophical and political aspects
3	Modernity, sociological aspects
4	Architecture and the city : « passages ».
5	The emergence of postmodern current of thought
6	Postmodern epistemologies
7	Postmodernity ? Sociological aspects
8	Postmodernity ? Political aspects
9	From the feminist and postcolonial affinities to scientist enmities
10	What postmodernism does to sociology
11	On some forms and debates of postmodernity
12	Modernity (and postmodernism) in Turkey
13	Transversal reflections
14	Preparation to exams